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is recognized, and in any international assembly, to the degree that this false principle is acknowledged as a guide, is the small nation put to a disadvantage.

Work of Rev. Charles E. Beals.

FIELD SECRETARY OF THE AMERICAN PEACE SOCIETY.

The Directors have kindly invited the Field Secretary to take a corner of the *ADVOCATE OF PEACE* to report his work from month to month. Whole columns might be filled with interesting matter telling of visits to, and addresses before, the Chicago Woman's Club (October 13), the Submasters' Club of Boston (November 18), the Friends' Meeting in Philadelphia (November 22), the Fountain Street Baptist Church of Grand Rapids (December 18), the Chicago Woman's Aid (December 21), the First Presbyterian Church of Lake Forest and Lake Forest College (January 16).

Nearly an entire month in the fall was devoted to publishing and mailing the report of the Second National Peace Congress. November and December were spent in the slow and arduous work of canvassing to ascertain what moral and financial support the Chicago Peace Society would receive if organized as a Branch of the American Peace Society. The canvass was reasonably successful.

On the first Tuesday of the new year, January 4, 1910, in spite of a fiercely raging blizzard, the Chicago Peace Society was organized, as announced in last month's *ADVOCATE OF PEACE*. An office was opened at once, at 153 La Salle Street, and Miss Antonia C. Fritsch, who served as stenographer for the National Peace Congress, was installed as office secretary. A reference library will be built up as rapidly as funds admit. Meanwhile the Field Secretary has loaned his own private peace library for use in the office. Stereopticon slides, peace decorations, etc., will be arranged for as quickly as possible.

Samples of all the peace publications are on the office table, and the office of the Chicago Peace Society will be the Chicago office of the American Peace Society and a depository of its literature. Already the new office has furnished material for some important peace meetings. And even as early as this, orders for Hague Day literature have commenced to come in from teachers in the public schools.

The Field Secretary has moved his family from the East, and henceforth his work will be conducted from Chicago instead of from Boston. This will mean a great saving of time and railway fare, for either one of twelve State capitals can be reached in a night's ride from Chicago. Probably the greater part of the spring will have to be devoted to the completion of the Chicago peace machinery, the enlargement of the membership, etc. But in connection with the local work a correspondence will be carried on with the peace workers in each of the States, looking to a completer organization of the peace forces all over the country.

The Field Secretary has been appointed a member of the Committee on Peace and Arbitration by the trustees of the Young People's Christian Endeavor. Rev. Francis E. Clark, D. D., is chairman, and the other member is Rev. Robert E. Pretlow of Brooklyn, N. Y.

The American School Peace League.

BY FANNIE FERN ANDREWS, SECRETARY.

At the meeting of the New Mexico Educational Association, a New Mexico Branch of the League was formed on December 30, 1909. Its officers include the leading educators of New Mexico. The Association elected for president E. McQueen Gray, President of the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque; for secretary-treasurer, John H. Vaughan, Professor of History, New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, Agricultural College; for vice-presidents, James E. Clark, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Santa Fé; W. E. Garrison, President of the New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, Agricultural College; J. A. Wood, Superintendent of Schools, Santa Fé; C. M. Light, President of the Mexico Normal School, Silver City; T. W. Conway, Superintendent of Schools, Raton; while among the nine directors are superintendents of schools, normal school men and educational editors.

"The Educational Association," writes Mr. John H. Vaughan, "was very cordial in its reception of the peace idea and entered heartily into the organization. We are going to have a great Branch." And, indeed, the outlook is very hopeful, for the New Mexico Branch has already nearly a thousand enrolled members, each of whom is pledged to disseminate the principles of the international movement. These members were secured largely through Mr. Vaughan's efforts at the teachers' institute during the summer. One person with the interest, insight and vigor of Mr. Vaughan in each State of the Union would soon leaven the whole educational sentiment of the country with the spirit of international fraternity.

Beginning with the last of March, State Teachers' Associations will be holding their annual meetings through the month of June; and it is the aim of the League to organize a State Branch whenever these meetings occur. So far, responses from the presidents of the teachers' associations have been most favorable.

The first ten thousand copies of the annual report have been distributed, and the office is now sending out the second ten thousand edition.

An unusual demand for literature has come during the last month from college literary and debating societies all over the country. In answer to every request, literature has been sent and suggestions given when desired.

A bibliography of the principal publications on the international peace movement has been printed and sent to interested members of the League in each of the States, asking them to use their influence in getting such literature placed in the libraries of their respective States. Several letters have been received from library commissions asking for more copies of the bibliography. In the States where Branches have been formed, this responsibility has been taken over by these bodies.

Besides the organization of State Branches, the most immediate and pressing work is to bring about the general observance of the 18th of May in the schools. This is a comparatively easy task in States which have Branches, and these bodies have become active. Mr. L. J. Abbott, president of the Oklahoma Branch, writes: "The State Superintendent of Oklahoma has promised to send a Peace Program to every school in the State,